

*Serial No. 10/613,165
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Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0085] with the following rewritten paragraph:

It is seen from FIGS. 19 through 21 that bottle 40a has a smaller diameter ~~that~~ than bottle 40b. Container release assembly 100, 100' can be used to vend, from the same vend queue, bottles or other containers having different dimensions, particularly, different diameters. It will be appreciated that assembly 100, 100' of the present invention allows for greater flexibility in arranging products of varied sizes, shapes, volumes and types of containers within the same queue of the vending machine. It will also be appreciated that implementation of the principles of the invention can be achieved in an economical manner since none of the product trays or shelves require any additional spacers or other accessories for modifying the width of the tray. These and other features and advantages of the invention will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art in view of the foregoing description.